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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph [0009] with the following amended paragraph:

[0009]   One ~~environment~~ embodiment provides an application development environment configured to facilitate development of an application generally including a standard development template suite, a plurality of framework components, and a global script library. The standard development template suite generally includes at least one template agent providing functionality directed to managing background processes of the application and at least one front-end template providing interface functionality to communicate with the background processes. The plurality of framework components generally include a front-end core script library containing code elements used to add front-end functionality to the application not provided by the front-end template and a back-end core script library containing code elements used to add functionality to the application not provided by the template agent. The global script library generally contains data structures available for use by the framework components in creating the front-end and back-end application components.

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Please replace paragraph ~~[0025]~~ with the following amended paragraph:

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~~[0025]~~   In one aspect, the invention is particularly advantageous in the context of highly modular languages such as object-oriented programming languages including ~~Java~~ the JAVA® and C++ programming languages. However, the use of object-oriented terminology is merely for convenience or illustration, and not limiting of the invention. Further, in some cases, different terms are used for the same or similar aspects of the invention. For example, in the claims appended below, the term "application", "routine" or "function" may be used as a generic substitute for the term "method" to avoid any suggestion of that the invention is limited to particular object-oriented programming languages.

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Please replace paragraph ~~[0037]~~ with the following amended paragraph:

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